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**From:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City)  
**To:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Feeley, John D (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** 3/18/2011 12:43:57 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Holder and ATF

I'll have to get back to you on this.

Tony

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**To:** Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City); Feeley, John D (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Thu Mar 17 20:09:08 2011  
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Another question. What are the expectations for the length of the IG inspection? I know you can't be specific, but can you provide rough parameters -- at this point just for my info.

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Yes, the DAG made a statement (not public) regarding undercover operations related to weapons trafficking investigations.

CNN Mexico reported on the statement and attributed it to DOJ. CNN Mexico has the statement correct. DOJ has not commented on the CNN Mexico report. I have not heard that DOJ will comment on the CNN Mexico report.

The report you cited to in your e-mail is incorrect factually and the attribution to AG Holder is incorrect.

I hope that clears it up.

Tony

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**Sent:** Thu Mar 17 17:57:01 2011  
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Tony -- Not sure I understood. Did the DAG make a statement to this effect?

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**To:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Williams, James H (Mexico City); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Thu Mar 17 17:27:50 2011  
**Subject:** RE: Holder and ATF

Ambassador,

The report in your e-mail is not accurate. CNN Mexico reported on this also:

**The United States Department of Justice has issued a directive to federal agents ordering them to halt and report any operation that involves trafficking weapons into Mexico. The instruction comes as part of an investigation into "Fast and Furious", and U.S. Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) sting operation that may have involved the illegal flow of weapons over the border.**

According to CNN Mexico, the Department of Justice has issued a memo to its employees on the southern border, which contained the following text: "We must not design or conduct undercover operations involving weapons crossing the border. If we learn that guns are about to cross, we must take immediate action to stop it, even if it means early termination or complications for an investigation..."

I spoke to DAAG Bruce Swartz and OIA Director Molly Warlow about the CNN Mexico report and CNN Mexico had the language almost verbatim from a recent Deputy Attorney General statement. DOJ has not commented on the CNN Mexico report and at this time I have not heard that DOJ will comment.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Tony

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**From:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 5:00 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Holder and ATF

**Tony, Chris – need your help – could you inquire?**

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**From:** Williams, James H (Mexico City)  
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**To:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City); Garcia, Anthony P (Mexico City); Snyder, Christopher A (Mexico City)  
**Subject:** RE: Holder and ATF

I have not seen any transcripts or the original source. But this is being widely reported. Rosario Green repeated it early this afternoon in her preliminary grilling of Espinosa. jim

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**From:** Pascual, Carlos (Mexico City)  
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### Did Holder really say this?

Jorge Ramos, colaborador: Erick Holder, el procurador general que está a cargo de la agencia, de la cual dos agentes denunciaron el paso de armas hacia México.

Erick Holder acaba de anunciar que ha dado la orden de suspender todas las operaciones encubiertas de Estados Unidos en México, pero esto es muy curioso porque él no ha reconocido públicamente que esas operaciones se realizaban, pero se están curando en salud.

Sobre los aviones no tripulados, son acciones de guerra, en Pakistán esto es exactamente lo que hace el gobierno de Estados Unidos, esos mismos aviones son los que están en la frontera entre México y Estados Unidos y ciertamente están entrando a espacio aéreo mexicano.

De alguna forma estas dos operaciones están conectadas, si hay operaciones de los Estados Unidos por tierra o por aire en México lo menos que pueden hacer es avisarnos.

Denise Maerker, conductora: En el Senado mexicano hay quienes están diciendo que esta es una violación a la soberanía y que efectivamente no se pudo llevar a cabo sin que antes hubiera una discusión sobre este tema.

Tantas cosas, Japón y todo esto han dejado de lado el asunto de Rápido y Furioso.

JR: Estados Unidos está absolutamente concentrado en lo que ocurre en Japón, en las plantas nucleares de Estados Unidos.

La planta de San Onofre en California está precisamente de una falla sísmica.

La planta nuclear en México donde están.

DM: Hay una sola es Laguna Verde y está en la zona menos sísmica de la República, lo cual no quita que haya preocupación de los especialistas.

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